BANCORP RHODE ISLAND INC Form 8-K January 13, 2009

| UNITED STATES  |  |
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| SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE O                                | COMMISSION   |
| WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549                                   |  |
| FORM 8-K   | <del></del>  |
| CURRENT REPORT   |  |
| Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the                   |  |
| Securities Exchange Act of 1934                          |  |
| Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): Januar | y 7, 2009  |
| BANCORP RHODE ISLANI                                     | ), INC.  |
| (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)   |  |
| Rhode Island   |  |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)           |  |
| 333-33182<br>(Commission File Number)                    | 05-0509802<br>(IRS Employer Identification Number) |
| One Turks Head Place, Providence, Rhode Island 02903     | }  |
| (Address of principal executive offices)                 |  |
| (401) 456-5000   |  |
| (Registrant s telephone number, including area code)     |  |
|  |  |
| Not Applicable   |  |

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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| Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or | Certain Officers; | <b>Election of Directors</b> ; | Appointment of | Certain Officers; | Compensatory |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Arrangements of Certain Officers     |                   |                                |                |                   |              |

| On January 7, 2009. | William C. DeWitt  | s employment with Bank Rhode Island (the   | Bank     | ), a wholly owned subsidiary of Band | corp Rhode Island. |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| -                   |                    |  |          |                                      | 1                  |
| Inc. terminated Mr. | DeWitt cerved as F | birector of Marketing and Corporate Commun | ications | for the Rank                         |                    |

| Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits   |
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| (c) Exhibits.  |
| 99.1 None. SIGNATURES  Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized. |
| BANCORP RHODE ISLAND, INC.   |

Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 13, 2009